

## **Waivers to Mandatory Immunizations FAQ**

## **Wyoming Department of Health Immunization Unit**

Does Wyoming allow for a philosophical exemption? No, Wyoming only allows for religious and medical waivers.

Who is eligible for a waiver?

Waivers are issued for children in child caring facilities and K-12 schools in Wyoming.

How long does an waiver take to process?

Waivers and record requests may take up to 30 days to be processed.

Does Wyoming honor an approved waiver from another state? No, all waivers must be submitted using the Wyoming waiver process.

Who can approve a waiver?

Waiver requests can be approved by either the State or County Health Officer.

Can a copy of an approved waiver be sent to another entity, such as a school? Yes, the parent/guardian may submit the F-011: Use or Disclosure Authorization, to authorize the release of Protected Health Information (PHI) to a 3rd party.

What kind of documentation is required to receive an approved medical waiver? A medical waiver may be requested by either submitting the Medical Waiver Form accompanied by a licensed health care providers's statement, or a statement of medical contraindication written by a licensed health care provider. Both must be signed by a health care provider licensed to practice in any jurisdiction in the United States.

Do I have to list each specific vaccine that I want my child to be exempted from on the Waiver Forms?

Yes. Each specific vaccine must be selected on both the Medical Waiver Form and the Religious Waiver Form. In the case of a statement, all specific vaccines must be included.

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